

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title beginning of page 1, line 1 and ending on page 1, line 1 with the following:

SLIDER CONFIGURED FOR RAPID BEARING STABILIZATION DURING RAMP
LOAD OPERATIONS

Please add a new paragraph to the Brief Description of the Drawings on page 4, beginning at line 10:

FIGS. 4-6 are partial side cross-sectional views of the slider of FIG. 2 respectively taken along lines 4-4, 5-5 and 6-6.

Replacement paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 5 and ending on page 6, line 12:

Slider 118 generally includes a pair of elongated side rails 152 and 154, a center rail 156, leading pads 158 and 160, a cross rail 162, a leading recessed region 164, and a trailing recessed region 166. Trailing recessed region 166 is generally ~~know~~known in the art as a subambient pressure cavity, which operates to pull slider 118 toward disc 102 in response to a fluid flow. Leading recessed region 164 is located adjacent leading edge 146 and generally extends between sides 152 and 154. Leading recessed region 164 is preferably significantly recessed from bearing surface level 140, such as by 5.0 microns, for example.